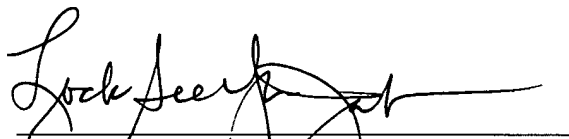


REMARKS

Claims 1-36 are presented for examination, of which Claims 1, 11, and 35 are in independent form. Claims 13, 22, 26, 33, and 34 have been amended to remove multiple dependencies. An early and favorable examination is respectfully requested.

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